

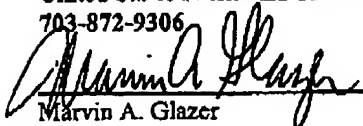
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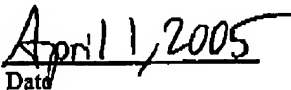
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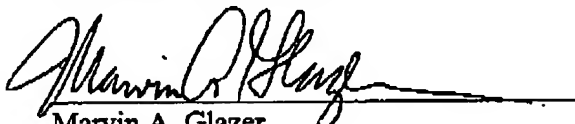
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the Response To Restriction Requirement in regard to
the Office Action mailed on March 3, 2005.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be
required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-0088 and to credit any overpayment to this
Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for such purpose.

Respectfully submitted,


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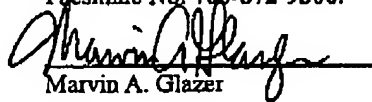
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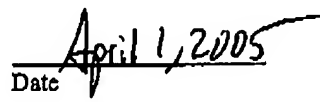
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In regard to the Office Action mailed on March 3, 2005, subjecting the pending patent
claims to a restriction requirement, Applicants respond as follows.

First, Applicant notes that the claims currently pending in the present application,
following entry of the Preliminary Amendment filed concurrently with the submission of this
application, are claims numbered 19-23, 25, 26, and 31-38. Claim 24, and claims 27-30 have
been canceled.

Secondly, Applicant respectfully suggests that the two groupings of the pending claims should be as follows:

Group I (a process for manufacturing an Al_2O_3 membrane) includes claims 19-23, 25, and 31, as explained below:

Claim 19 in independent form.
Claims 20-22, each dependent from claim 19;
Claim 23 dependent on claim 22;
Claim 25 dependent on claim 19; and
Claim 31 dependent on claim 19.

Group II (a process for manufacturing a capacitive vacuum measuring cell) includes claim 26, and claims 32-38, as explained below:

Claim 32 in independent form;
Claim 26 dependent on claim 32;
Claim 33 dependent on claim 32;
Claim 34 dependent on claim 33;
Claim 36 dependent on claim 34;
Claim 35 dependent on claim 32;
Claim 37 dependent on claim 32; and
Claim 38 dependent on claim 37.

Thus, the correct grouping of the claims should be:


Group I) 19-23, 25, and 31; and

Group II) 26, and 32-38.

Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, to proceed with the examination of the claims within Group II, namely, claims 26, and 32-38. The non-elected claims (19-23, 25, and 31) may be

considered to be withdrawn, without prejudice to the presentation of such claims within a further divisional patent application.

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